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1. SUMMARY. THE CPSU CENTRAL COMMITTEE SLOGANS FOR NOVEMBER 7, PUBLISHED IN THE CENTRAL PRESS OCTOBER 11 (AND TRIMMED DOWN TO 62 AS COMPARED WITH 65 FOR MAY AND 63 FOR NOVEMBER 1974) GIVE THE OVERALL IMPRESSION OF STRONG CONTINUITY INBOTH DOMESTIC SLOGANS PAY INCREASED ATTENTION TO SOCIALIST COMPETITIONS AND TO GREETING THE 25TH CONGRESS IN A WORTHY FASHION. THEY ALSO REVEAL CHANGES OF NUANCE REGARDING THE NATIONALITY QUESTION, TRADE UNIONS, AND AGRICULTURE. THE SLOGANS DEALING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WITH FOREGN POLICY ARE CHANGED MARKEDLY REGARDING

SOUTHEAST ASIA, SLIGHTLY REGARDING THE MIDDLE EAST, AND TOPICIALLY REGARDING CSCE BUT THE MAJOR CONCLUDING SLOGANS SHOW ROCK-LIKE STABILITY. END SUMMARY.

- 2. DOMESTIC AFFAIRS. FOLLOWING THE THREE TRADTIONAL "LONG LIVES" (FOR THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE OCTOBER REVOLUTION, "GREAT OCTOBER" ITSELF, AND MARXISM-LENINISM), PRIDE OF PLACE IS GIVEN TO "MORE WIDELY DEVELOPING SOCIALIST COMPETITION" IN ORDER TO MEET THE 25TH CONGRESS IS A WORTHY FASHION. OMITTED IS THE MAY 1975 MENTION OF STRENGTHENING THE USSR'S DEFENSIVE MIGHT.
- 3. SLOGAN NUMBER ELEVEN, ON THE FRATERNAL FRIENDSHIP OF THE PEOPLES OF THE USSR, OMITS THE ADJECTIVE "UNBREAKABLE" WHICH APPEARS IN THE MAY CHARACTERIZATION OF THIS FRIENDSHIP.
- 4. THE TRADE UNION SLOGAN (NUMBER FOURTEEN) DROPS THE PHRASE "LONG LIVE SOVIET TRADE UNIONS--A SCHOOL OF COMMUNISM" AND THUS MAY SUGGEST A PRATIAL DOWNGRADING OF THE UNIONS' POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE IN THE WAKE OF SHELEPIN'S OUSTER.
- 5. NEW URGENCY ON THE AGRICULTURAL FRONT IS IMPLIED IN SLOGAN 29, WHICH CALLS UPON AGRICULTURAL WORKERS TO STRUGGLE FOR INTENSIFICATION AND INCREASED EFFECTIVENESS OF AGRICULTURE, IN CONTRAST TO MAY'S SOFTER CALL FOR "ACTIVE PARTICIPATION" IN IMPROVING AGRICULTURE.
- 6. OTHER CHANGES IN THE DOMESTIC FIELD INCLUDE TOPICAL EMPHASIS ON THE STAKHANOVITE MOVEMENT (NUMBER 32) AND ON WORKERS' COLLECTIVES THAT FULFILL THEIR NINTH FIVE YEAR PLAN TASKS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE (NUMBER 21). SPECIAL PRAISE IS ACCORDED SOVIET SCIENCE (NUMBER 34), UNDOUBTEDLY IN CONNECTION WITH THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES. SOVIET WOMEN (NUMBER 17) ARE NOW TERMED "FLAMING" PATRIOTS, COMPARED WITH THE "ARDENT" PATRIOTS OF MAY.
- 7. THE MOST STRIKING (IF UNSURPRISING) FEATURE OF THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FOREIGN POLICY SLOGANS IS THE ADVANCE OF VIETNAM,
TOGETHER WITH LAOS AND CAMBODIA (MENTIONED FOR THE
FIRST TIME), NEARLY TO THE TOP OF THE LIST, RIGHT AFTER
THE COMMUNIST PARTIES, COMMUNISTS AND SOCIALIST COUNTRIES
OF THE WORLD. THE MOVE, OF COURSE, IS LOGICAL,
SINCE THE "HISTORIC VICTORY" IN VIETNAM MOVES THAT LAND
CLOSER TO SOCIALISM (FROM THE SOVIET POINT OF VIEW)
AND PRESUMABLY STRENGTHENS THE POSITION OF

SOCIALIST-ORIENTED LAO AND COAMBODIAN "PATRIOTS."
THE LANGUAGE IS ALSO BEEFED UP, MOST SPECTACULARLY
IN THE STATEMENT THAT THE "HEROIC VIETNAMESE PEOPLE"
ARE NOW "CONFIDENTLY PROCEEDING ON THE PATH OF
NATIONAL UNITY."

- 8. THERE IS ALSO A SMALL NEW TWIST IN THE MIDDLE EAST SLOGAN, WHICH NOW CALLS FOR A "JUST" AND SOLID PEACE FOR ALL STATES AND PEOPLE INSTEAD OF A "RELIABLE" AND SOLID PEACE.
- 9. REFLECTING HELSINKI, THE EUROPEAN PEOPLES ARE NOW SUMMONED "PERSISTENTLY TO WORK FOR FULL REALIZATION IN LIFE OF THE PRINCIPLES AND UNDERSTANDINGS AGREED BY THE EUROPEAN CONFERENCE," RATHER THAN FOR ITS SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION, AS BEFORE.
- 10. THE CYPRUS SLOGAN REPEATS THE DEMAND FOR "FULL WITH-DRAWAL OF ALL FOREIGN FORCES FROM CYPRUS TERRITORY" FIRST MADE IN MAY, I.E., IT DOES NOT PICK UP THE DEMAND FOR WITHDRAWAL "FROM THE ISLAND" (THUS INCLUDING THE SBA'S) WHICH HAS APPEARED RECENTLY IN THE SOVIET PRESS.
- 11. THE PORTUGAL SLOGAN IS UNCHANGED: IT WOULD APPEAR THAT DROPPING LAST OCTOBER'S CALL FOR CLEANSING EUROPE FULLY OF FASCIST REGIMES, WHICH WAS ACCOMPLISHED IN APRIL, IS ENOUGH FOR NOW.
- 12. ALL THESE VARIATIONS SEEM MINOR COMPARED WITH THE ROCK-LIKE STABILITY OF THE KEY CONCLUDING FOREIGN POLICY SLOGANS, ON ASIA, DETENTE, NON-USE OF FORCE AND DISARMAMENT, SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY, THE 24TH CONGRESS PEACE PROGRAM, THE USSR, AND FORWARD TO COMMUNISM UNDER THE MARXIST-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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